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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
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Ralf HIMMELREICH, et al. :  
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For: METHOD FOR FACILITATING AN AUTOMATED ISOLATION OF A  
BIOPOLYMER USING MAGNETIC PARTICLES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 8.